

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-7 without prejudice.

Claims 1-7 (Cancelled)

Claim 8. (Original) A water filtration apparatus, comprising:

- a) a primary filter having an inlet, a first discharge for discharging a combination of solids and water, and a primary effluent discharge;
- b) a filter sock having an inlet coupled to said first discharge of said primary filter and an outlet coupled to said primary filter inlet via a pump-operated sump;
- c) an equalization tank having a plurality of inlets and one outlet, said primary effluent discharge being coupled to one of the inlets of said equalization tank;
- d) a first surge tank having an inlet and a plurality of outlets, said inlet of said surge tank being coupled to said outlet of said equalization tank;
- e) a secondary filter having an inlet and an outlet, said inlet of said secondary filter being coupled to one of said outlets of said first surge tank; and
- f) a plurality of leaching pools having an inlet, said inlet of said leaching pools being coupled to said outlet of said secondary filter.

Claim 9. (Original) A water filtration system according to claim 8, wherein:
said primary filter includes an approximately 50-micron screen,

said sock filter is an approximately 100-micron filter, and
said secondary filter is one of a carbon filter and a media filter.

Claim 10. (Original) A water filtration system according to claim 8, wherein:
said equalization tank has a capacity of approximately 9,000 gallons, and
said first surge tank has a capacity of approximately 100 gallons.

Claim 11. (Original) A water filtration system according to claim 8, further
comprising:

g) a second surge tank, said second surge tank having an inlet and an outlet,
said inlet of said second surge tank being coupled to said outlet of said secondary filter
and said outlet of said surge tank being coupled to said inlet of said plurality of
leaching fields.

Claim 12. (Original) A water filtration apparatus according to claim 11, wherein:
said second surge tank has a capacity of approximately 100 gallons.

Claim 13. (Original) A water filtration apparatus according to claim 11, wherein
said inlet of said plurality of leaching pools comprises a clear well coupled to each of
said leaching pools.

Claim 14. (Original) A water filtration apparatus according to claim 11, further comprising:

h) a polishing filter having an inlet and an outlet, said inlet of said polishing filter being coupled to said outlet of said second surge tank and said outlet of said polishing filter being coupled to said inlet of said plurality of leaching fields.

Claim 15. (Original) A water filtration apparatus according to claim 14, wherein: said polishing filter is an approximately 5-micron filter.

Claim 16. (Original) A water filtration apparatus according to claim 14, wherein: said inlet of said plurality of leaching pools comprises a clear well coupled to each of said leaching pools.